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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1918.

AMERICA'S CHILDREN.

George Bernard Shaw has some cutting things to say about America's donations to children in far countries. They were called forth by an appeal to Americans for shoes and stockings for Dublin children. As a native of Dublin, Mr. Shaw feels justified in jumping on that city first. He says Dublin is perfectly able to feed and clothe her own children if she chooses. Whereupon he goes on to remind America of her sins to her own children.

"Baby-killing is an international crime. The English kill their babies fifteen times as fast as the war kills men. The Germans are worse. The Russians perhaps worst of all. I don't know exactly where the Americans come in."

"I am forgetting the poor little slaves in the cotton mills for Carolina on whose behalf I am prepared to solicit, not shoes and socks, but fire from heaven; but the moral is that if America wants to rescue children from poverty and slavery she had better look at home, and not supply an other superfluous demonstration of the fact the eyes of a fool are in the ends of the earth."

This is sharp speech. But is it not justified? Is it not rather hypocritical to give to children abroad with the right hand while with the left we drive our own children into that starvation which is worse than death because it unites for life without releasing from life's obligations?

Giving to children in the war torn districts seems not only right but necessary at the present time. But it is no reason for neglecting our own. The injunction to "let not the left hand know what the right hand doeth" was not meant to give one hand an excuse for doing things of which either should be ashamed.

A Timid Nature.

It must be a timid nature that would refrain from every good time for fear of consequences.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Children Cry  
FOR FLETCHER'S  
CASTORIA

BOY MINES SHOT  
MAKES BIG MONEY

DIGS UP METAL DROPPED FROM  
SHELLS AT GUN CLUB

Earns \$200 in Three Months Working  
Before and After School and  
Saturdays.

Demison, Texas.—Bruce Sandford, a 15-year-old boy, earned nearly \$200 in the last three months—and is still earning money at the same rate—in an odd manner. The boy lives near the shooting grounds of the Ben River Gun Club. He made, and is still making, this money by digging bird shot out of the ground there.

The queer "mine" that he is working is situated on marshy ground near Ben River, where there is plenty of water for player operations. The ground has formed a part of the property of the gun club for about forty years and in that time no less than 300 tons of bird shot have fallen into the mud of the marshy ground.

Sandford goes to school. Before and after school and on Saturdays he goes to the grounds to hunt for the leaden shot, which he sells for 5 cents a pound. It takes a great many of the small shot to weigh a pound, but there are many of them in the ground.

Bruce's mining outfit consists of a pair of rubber boots, a large iron spoon, two washbats and a number of stout burlap bags. The method of mining is very simple.

The mud is dipped into the tubs where it is stirred around with the spoon. The shot separate from the mud and sink to the bottom of the tub. The thin mud is then skimmed off, the shot is dipped out, re-washed in another tub, then placed in the sacks.

It is not an easy job, standing in the mud and working stooped over all the time, but Bruce has stuck to it, and is doing well.

Other boys have begun to mine the shot also, and some of them are making as high as \$15 a week.

BIRTH REGISTRATION

U. S. Department of Labor  
Children's Bureau  
Washington.

Wash., D. C.—Why has the United States lagged behind other civilized countries in the care and completeness with which births are registered? All the States fail to provide for some of their children the official record which may become to any citizen at any time for the protection of his property rights, or even of his life.

The Children's Bureau of the U. S. Department of Labor has taken up the question because the recording of births affects children immediately and in various ways. Complete registration is indispensable to any comprehensive work for the welfare of babies. Without it, regulations for the prevention of blindness in babies can not be enforced; the public health nurse can not be sure of reaching every baby in the congested districts; and the death rate among babies— that most sensitive index of social well-being— can not be reckoned either for the community as a whole or for districts within the community.

The Children's Bureau, in co-operation with the Census Bureau, has therefore devised an informal test which is carried out by local committees and which brings home to the parents of young babies the importance of accurate and complete birth registration, for after all, it is upon the interest and understanding of parents that an absolutely complete record must, in this country, depend.

Of course a good State law is necessary to provide the machinery for registering births in each community and forwarding records to the State Registrar. A good law is necessary to give authority for the fine of physicians and midwives who habitually fail to report the births they attend, and such fine has proved essential for securing registration in some communities. But even with a good law and officials who honestly try to enforce it, there will always be some unregistered babies unless parents insist upon having their children's births recorded.

Interest in birth registration is constantly growing. Many State and city health departments are systematically working for better registration in their respective districts. Volunteer committees in 283 communities in 27 States have already reported to the Children's Bureau on local tests, and over 250 communities are now at work. And baby-week campaigns include a birth-registration day or some other special publicity for the subject.

Going Ahead Too Fast.

The young executive was enthusiastic but inexperienced. Rushing into his chief's office in great excitement he cried: "I've found the answer! I've got him cornered so that he can't escape!" The chief regarded him with withering scorn. "Allow me," he said, "to draw your attention to the fact that at present we are looking—not for the answer, but for clues."—*Wilde.*

Men Feel Tired, Too.

While much is said about tired women it must be remembered that men also pay the penalty of overwork. When the kidneys are weak, inactive or sluggish, when one feels tired out and miserable, lacks energy and ambition, Foley Kidney Pills are tonic and strengthening. Wm. H. Clark, Springfield, O., writes: "I found no relief from kidney trouble until I discovered Foley Kidney Pills. Now I am in A-1 shape." They act quickly and surely.

W. D. Duncan, Druggist, Ottawa, Ill.

AIR SERVICE RE-OPENED  
TO DRAFT ELIGIBLES

The United States air service is again open to young men in the draft. Those who wish to go in should volunteer quickly, because eligibles have had no opportunity to qualify as pilots since last March, and there are a lot of adventurous youngsters who want to take their chance in the air. The government wants for this city for men to train as: Pilot, observer, observer, tailfinners and mechanics.

The qualifications for the air service are high. Practically half the applicants are found unfit for flying as the first examination. Others are weeded out as training progresses, for the qualified aviator must not only learn to fly his machine, but radio, photography, bombing, machine-gunning and artillery observation as well. So the government seeks only those who feel sure they can give both the physical and mental tests with ability. The age limits for flyers are 18 to 30 years, but youngsters under 24 are preferred.

Age limits for observers are 18 to 30 years.

For mechanical work of the air service skilled men only are sought, and skilled particularly in one or more of these lines: Airplane mechanics, engine mechanics, radio mechanics, motor vehicle, tanks, motor, propellers, structures, electric, and mechanical repairs, engine-repairmen, propeller makers, stenciling, and mechanics.

The age limits for those who apply as mechanics are 18 to 35 years.

Eligible applicants for the flying branch of the air service should apply to the aviation examining board, 210 West Ohio street, Chicago, and for the mechanical branch to the air service trade test board, at the same address.

RATION SYSTEM ON  
GASOLINE SUPPLY

Washington, Oct. 4.—Provision for the fitting of the war as the use of gasoline Sunday within the next few weeks were indicated yesterday by Paul Administrator Garfield. A plan is now being worked out, he said, through which it was hoped to discontinue the Sunday ban and to substitute what would virtually be a rationing plan, so that gasoline conservation would fall on no one day in the week. In the meantime, Dr. Garfield said, the public should accept the situation with patience.

If you have lost anything you can find it by advertising in the Free Trader-Journal.

PUBLICATION NOTICE.

Gleim & Colwell, Complainant's Soirs. State of Illinois, La Salle County, ss. Probate Court of La Salle County, to the November Term, A. D. 1918.

Ottawa Banking & Trust Company, administrator of the estate of Nick Volk, deceased, vs. Barbara Volk, et al. Petition to sell Real Estate to pay debts.

Alldavit of the non-residence of Alexander Volk, Magdalena Volk, now Puffer, Peter Volk, Marie Volk, the unknown heirs of Peter Volk, deceased, the unknown heirs of Alexander Volk, deceased, the unknown heirs of Lot Seven (7), and the North Half (N. H.) of Lot Ten (10) in Hess' subdivision of Lot Eleven (11) in the Southeast Quarter (S. E. 1/4) of Section Fourteen (14) Township Thirty-three (33) North, Range Three (3) East of the Third P. M., and A. Mitchell Palmer, defendants above named, having been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court of La Salle County, notice is hereby given to the said Alexander Volk, Magdalena Volk, now Puffer, Peter Volk, Marie Volk, the unknown heirs of Peter Volk, deceased, the unknown heirs of Alexander Volk, deceased, the unknown heirs of Lot Seven (7), and the North Half (N. H.) of Lot Ten (10) in Hess' subdivision of Lot Eleven (11) in the Southeast Quarter (S. E. 1/4) of Section Fourteen (14) Township Thirty-three (33) North, Range Three (3) East of the Third P. M., and A. Mitchell Palmer, that the said plaintiff, the Ottawa Banking & Trust Company, administrator of the estate of Nick Volk, deceased, has filed its petition in said Probate Court of La Salle County for order to sell the premises belonging to the estate of said deceased, or so much of it as may be needed to pay the debts of said deceased, and described as follows, to-wit: Lot seven (7), and the north half (N. H.) of lot ten (10) in Hess' subdivision of lot eleven (11) in the southeast quarter (S. E. 1/4) of section fourteen (14) township thirty-three (33) north, range three (3) east of the third P. M., and that a summons has been issued out of said court against you, returnable at the November term, A. D. 1918, of said court, to be holden on the first Monday of November, A. D. 1918, at the court house in Ottawa, La Salle County, Illinois.

Now, unless you, the said above named defendants shall personally be and appear before said Probate Court of La Salle County, on the first day of a term thereof, to be holden at the court house, in said county, on the first Monday of November, 1918, and plead, answer or demur to the said complainant's petition filed herein, in the same and matters and things therein charged and stated will be taken as confessed, and a decree entered against you according to the prayer of said bill.

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Dated at Ottawa, Illinois, October 3, 1918.

EDWARD ZUM,  
Clerk.



REDDICK'S LIBRARY  
MATTERS

A little tip from Auntie Bessie. Who sends the soldiers magazines. Aunt Genevieve Mathilda Bessie subscribed for seven magazines. When one she'd read it was her rule to let it lie three months unused, and then to carefully entomb it in a vault attic room until her library board she measured by the ton and cord.

One day she read that soldiers like to read-ensuing drill or life, and recent magazines were just the soldier for mental rest. So she sent them from her store a hundredweight or maybe more, she lunched it, and in checky halves upon the patient (U. S. male).

The postman saws the mail-chance, the camp libraries groaned, and groaned, and Private Smith well-known report, solicited by this of fact:

"The lord who shipped this pile had sure some taste for mental literature!" So, who the book-bank dropped it, and that "soldier" made an article, about whose sense of duty grew pale and wan the day he put the books on!

"My literary taste is junk, but I've a eagle eye for junk, and if I couldn't only sort the state-out from my thinking heart, the passing junk man I would flag and lay a Plunk Stamp with the swing."

Kniping is the only past in existence who understands the way and the men who are building the way.

Requests for books on the following subjects were made in one day at Camp Johnston, Fla.: Coffee roasting and blending; woodwork, carpentry, field storage and transportation of food materials, medical dictionary, sanitation and public health, psychology, shorthand and typewriting, mechanics of a typewriter.

"What is this book about?" asked a nation.  
"Oh, that is Hamlet," said the librarian. "It's about a girl who married a man without his having anything to say about it."  
"Hold on there! Give me that book; it's my autobiography!"

"Is there such a place as hell, and is there a purgatory of hell?"

"What people of ancient times were destroyed because they had six senses instead of five?"

"Where was Atlantis, the island described by Plato, where people were perfectly happy?"

A hospital librarian offered a portion of one of Marion Crawford's novels. "Not for me," said the soldier. "I never could stomach books written by a woman."  
"But Marion Crawford isn't a woman," he was told.

"The dence she is! Then what is she?"

He finally accepted a sample and later looked for others.

The American Library Association: 1. Books, maps and operating libraries for soldiers and sailors on this side and overseas.

2. Libraries on warships, transports and government cargo ships.

3. Books educational and technical books to meet the demand of the men in the service.

4. Maintain library service in every ward of every hospital.

5. Send \$1,000,000 to buy more books and expand its service.

6. Supplies books and magazines for the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. K. of C., Y. W. C. A., Jewish Welfare Board, War Camp Community Service and Salvation Army.



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Dr. M. VanBuren, Engineer, G. R. & L. B. 17 Highland St., Grand Rapids, Mich.

To All  
Retail Merchants

We are instructed by the United States War Industries Board to call upon you carry out the following rules:

- No. 1. To restrict deliveries to one trip a day over each route.
- No. 2. To eliminate special deliveries.
- No. 3. To restrict the privilege of returning merchandise to not more than three days.

Every merchant is expected to observe these regulations immediately so that as many men as possible may be relieved for Government Service.

Strict compliance will constitute a patriotic service which will tend largely to aid in winning the war.

The personal soliciting of orders on a route and the delivery of them on the same day is prohibited.

In order to save paper, all merchants are requested not to use any paper in wrapping merchandise that comes in original containers.

Customers are requested to carry all small parcels.

These changes in delivery service will start Monday morning.

COMMERCIAL ECONOMY  
ADMINISTRATION  
Louis M. Stumer, State Administrator.

THE STATE COUNCIL OF  
DEFENSE OF ILLINOIS  
Samuel Insull, Chairman.